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House Sites to freed SC/ST artisans in rural areas of the country

456. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA;
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether with regard to Rural Housing, Government propose to provide house sites to Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes freed bonded labourers, artisans in rural areas of the country and also to finance them on a suitable loan-cum-subsidy basis;

(b) if so, what are the outlines of the action planned; and

(c) the progress made, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) 'Housing' being a State subject, all social housing schemes are formulated and implemented by the State Governments/UT Administrations out of their Plan resources as per their requirements and priorities. However, a scheme namely 'Allotment of House sites-cum-construction Assistance' for rural landless workers including artisans, Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes is being implemented in the State Sector which envisages allotment of house sites, free of cost, to the eligible families. Under this Scheme assistance of Rs. 500 per house sites for site development and Rs. 2000 per family as construction assistance is provided. During the 7th Five Year Plan period (upto 29-2-1988) house-sites have been allotted to 25.5 lakh families and construction assistance has been given to 11.92 lakh families in the country.

In addition, Indira Awas Yojana (IAY), a scheme in the Central Sector, as part of the Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP), envisages construction of houses for SCs, STs and Freed bonded labourers in rural areas. The land for construction of houses under the Yojana is provided by the State Govt./UT administration. There is no component of loan under the Yojana and construction of houses is taken up as an employment generation programme. The ceiling for construction of houses under IAY is Rs. 7200 for plain areas including the sanitary block and Rs. 9000 for difficult areas including the sanitary block. In addition, an amount of Rs. 3000 per dwelling unit is admissible for infrastructural development under the scheme. The scheme was initiated in 1985-86 and 2.73 lakh housing units are reported to have been constructed so far in the 7th Plan.

Welfare Centres in Rajasthan

457. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of welfare/rehabilitation centres in Rajasthan to help the drug addicts to overcome addiction;

(b) the number of such centres being maintained by the Central Government, State Government and voluntary agencies separately; and

(c) the funds allocated to these centres annually?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) to (c) A statement giving particulars of centres and camps in Rajasthan is laid on the Table of the House.